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**PATENT APPLICATION**

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
TECHNOLOGY CENTER ART UNIT 1617**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Yuki SASAKI et al.

Group Art Unit: 1617

Application No.: 10/015,611

Examiner: L. Wells

Filed: December 17, 2001

Docket No.: 111482

For: RESIN POWDER FOR DERMATOLOGIC COMPOSITION, SKIN CLEANSING  
AGENT AND COSMETIC COMPOSITION USING THE POWDER, AND  
PREPARATION PROCESS OF THE POWDER

**REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the April 21, 2004 Office Action, reconsideration of the rejection is respectfully requested in light of the following remarks.

Claims 1-22 are pending in this application, claims 18-22 having been withdrawn from consideration.

**I. Claim Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. §103**

**A. Claims 1-4 and 7-17**

The Office Action rejects claims 1-4 and 7-17 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over Japanese Patent Application Publication JP 2001-151639 to Kenji Yasuda. Applicants respectfully traverse the rejection.